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Akihiko KANZAKI et al.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants bring the disclosures attached and listed on completed Form PTO-1449 to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application.

JP-A-270605/1987 corresponds to U.S. Patent Nos. 4,774,303 and 4,862,930.

Japanese Patent No. 2574144/1996 corresponds to U.S. Patent Nos. 5,993,666 and 5,733,857.

JP-A-52915/1997 corresponds to U.S. Patent Nos. 5,859,286 and 6,107,428. WO 95/03342 corresponds to U.S. Patent Nos. 5,733,857 and 5,993,666. JP-A-12627/2002 corresponds to EP 1101778.

In accordance with the amendments to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a) (revisions effective October 21, 2004) and as discussed in the October 19, 2004 Official Gazette (1287 OG 163), copies of U.S. patents and published applications cited on the attached Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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